## TOWN OF PORT BARRE

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

MARCH 7, 2023

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## REGULAR MEETING

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen/Alderwoman of the Town of Port Barre met in regular session in the town hall on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at the hour of 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Ardoin called the meeting to order. Present were: Robin, Hebert, Kimble and G. Hardy. Absent: S. Hardy.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen/Alderwoman of the Town of Port Barre, Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, were duly convened as the governing authority of said town by Mayor John P. Ardoin, whom stated that the Council was ready for the transaction of business.

Motion by Hebert, seconded by Robin, accepting the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 7, 2023, and to dispense with the reading thereof. Unanimous.

Mayor Ardoin gave an update on business items from the February 7, 2023 meeting.

Mayor Ardoin called for a motion to add an item to the agenda.

Motion by Hebert, seconded by Kimble to add the item of the Council going into Executive Session to the agenda. Unanimous.

Motion by Robin, seconded by Hebert to go into Executive Session regarding personnel matters. Unanimous. Council went into Executive Session at approximately 6:11 p.m.

Motion by Robin, seconded by Hebert to return to Regular Session. Unanimous. Council returned to Regular Session at approximately 6:29 p.m.

Motion by Kimble, seconded by Hebert adopting a Resolution approving the annual Municipal Water Pollution Prevention report prepared by CENLA to be submitted to Louisiana DEQ. Unanimous.

Motion by G. Hardy, seconded by Kimble granting permission to Mayor Ardoin to start the process of gathering plans and specs regarding construction of a restroom facility in Veterans' Memorial Park. Unanimous.

Motion by Robin, seconded by G. Hardy to hire Dillen Dejean as a full-time, post-certified police officer, upon the recommendation of Chief Boudreaux. Unanimous.

Motion by Kimble, seconded by Hebert to hire Nicolas Spears as a full-time, non-post certified police officer upon the recommendation of Chief Boudreaux. Unanimous.

Mayor Ardoin advised the Council that "The Eunice News" newspaper has sent a letter stating their interest in becoming the official journal for the Town of Port Barre. The Council will take this under advisement and decide at the June Council Meeting whether or not to change from the Daily World.

Mayor Ardoin called upon Chief Boudreaux. Chief Boudreaux rendered the monthly report of Police Department activities.

Mayor Ardoin called upon Superintendent Greg Leger, who gave an update on public works activities.

Motion by Hebert, seconded by Robin accepting all financial and departmental reports. Unanimous. It was discussed and recommended that the Parks and Recreation Department submit monthly reports as well.

Mayor Ardoin called upon the Town Council, then the audience. General discussion was had, including the issue with baseball and softball tryouts, the Elderly Luncheon, obstruction of traffic on the Courtableau bridge by pedestrians, blighted property and bicycle traffic.

Motion by G. Hardy, seconded by Hebert to adjourn. Unanimous.

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